

### **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Applicants thank the Examiner for the careful consideration given the present application. The application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action, and amended as necessary to more clearly and particularly describe the subject matter that Applicants regard as the invention. Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in a condition for allowance in view of the following remarks.

As an initial matter, applicants have amended the abstract to include less than 150 words as required by M.P.E.P. §608.01(b). The new abstract is provided in Appendix A as a separate sheet pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.72. The Examiner's approval of the new abstract is respectfully requested.

Applicants also note, with appreciation, the identification of claims 10 and 11 as allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. To this end, independent claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 10, and the dependency of claim 11 has been amended to reflect the amendment to claim 1.

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is determined that the application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the present application.

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